

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claims 1-23 (Canceled).

Claim 24 (Currently Amended): A comb for applying a product to keratinous fibers, comprising:

an arrangement of teeth capable of applying said product,

wherein said arrangement of teeth is obtained by assembling at least two ~~separate~~ parts, and

wherein, after assembling, said at least two ~~separate~~ parts comprise a first part with teeth inclined in a first direction and a second part with teeth inclined in a second direction different from said first direction, and the two parts are joined together pivotably by a film hinge.

Claim 25 (Currently Amended): A comb for applying a product to keratinous fibers comprising:

an arrangement of teeth capable of applying said product,

wherein said arrangement of teeth is obtained by assembling at least two ~~separate~~ parts along an axis, and

wherein the two parts are formed of a single piece of ~~obtained by molding a molded~~ thermoplastic material ~~in a single piece~~ and the two parts are joined together pivotably by a film hinge.

Claims 26-27 (Canceled)

Claim 28 (Previously Presented): The comb as claimed in claim 24, wherein at least one of the parts comprises a succession of teeth configured in the form of at least one row connected to a base of elongate shape extending along an axis.

Claim 29 (Currently Amended): The comb as claimed in claim 24, wherein the teeth are offset in a staggered configuration alternating from side to side of a meeting surface formed of a plane along which the two parts meet.

Claim 30 (Currently Amended): A comb for applying a product to keratinous fibers, comprising:

an arrangement of teeth capable of applying said product,

wherein said arrangement of teeth ~~is obtained by assembling~~ includes at least two ~~separate~~ parts joined together pivotably by a film hinge,

wherein at least one of the parts comprises a succession of teeth configured in the form of at least one row connected to a base of elongated shape extending along an axis, and

wherein, when viewed along the axis, two consecutive teeth have free ends which diverge, which converge or which cross.

Claim 31 (Currently Amended): A comb for applying a product to keratinous fibers, comprising:

an arrangement of teeth capable of applying said product,

wherein said arrangement of teeth ~~is obtained by assembling~~ includes at least two separate parts joined together pivotably by a film hinge,

wherein the teeth are offset in a staggered configuration alternating from side to side of a surface formed of a plane along which the two parts meet, and

wherein, when viewed from the side, two consecutive teeth have free ends which diverge, which converge or which cross.

Claim 32 (Previously Presented): The comb as claimed in claim 30, wherein when viewed from the side, two consecutive teeth form between them a notch.

Claim 33 (Previously Presented): The comb as claimed in claim 29, wherein the teeth have front and/or rear faces which are parallel to the meeting surface and which form an acute obtuse angle therewith.

Claim 34 (Previously Presented): The comb as claimed in claim 24, wherein the comb is secured to an element for grasping.

Claim 35 (Canceled)

Claim 36 (Currently Amended): A comb for applying a product to keratinous fibers, comprising:

an arrangement of teeth capable of applying said product,

wherein said arrangement of teeth ~~is obtained by assembling~~ includes at least two ~~separate~~ parts along an axis,

wherein the two parts are formed by a single piece of ~~obtained by molding~~ thermoplastic ~~in a single piece~~ and are joined together pivotably by a film hinge, and

wherein the film hinge is oriented at a right angle ~~angles~~ to the axis.

Claim 37 (Previously Presented): The comb as claimed in claim 25, wherein the film hinge is oriented parallel to the axis.

Claim 38 (Currently Amended): The comb as claimed in claim 36, further comprising an element for grasping said comb, and wherein the comb is fixed to said element for grasping by an end located away from the film hinge.

Claim 39 (Previously Presented): The comb as claimed in claim 24, which comprises a means capable of consolidating the assembly of the two parts.

Claim 40 (Previously Presented): The comb as claimed in claim 25, wherein the thermoplastic comprises at least one of graphite, molybdenum disulfide, and Teflon.

Claim 41 (Previously Presented): The comb as claimed in claim 24, wherein the parts are made of different materials.

Claim 42 (Previously Presented): The comb as claimed in claim 24, wherein at least one portion of at least one of the parts is covered in flocking.

Claim 43 (Currently Amended): A comb for applying a product to keratinous fibers, comprising:

an arrangement of teeth capable of applying said product,

wherein said arrangement of teeth ~~is obtained by assembling~~ includes at least two ~~separate~~ parts along an axis, wherein the two parts are joined together pivotably by a film hinge, and

wherein ~~as the parts are being assembled~~, said comb further comprises a layer of absorbent material is inserted between the two parts.

Claim 44 (Previously Presented): The comb as claimed in claim 43, wherein said absorbent material is chosen from open-cell or semi-open-cell foams, felts, wovens and nonwovens.

Claim 45 (Previously Presented): A set for applying a product, comprising:  
a container for containing a reserve of product, and  
an applicator capable of being arranged removably on the container, said applicator comprising an element for grasping equipped with a comb as claimed in claim 24.

Claim 46 (Previously Presented): The use of a set as claimed in claim 45 for applying make-up to the eyelashes or eyebrows.

Claim 47 (Previously Presented): The comb as claimed in claim 24, wherein said arrangement of teeth is capable of applying said product to at least one of eyelashes and eyebrows.

Claim 48 (Currently Amended): The comb as claimed in claim 24, wherein, after assembling, said teeth of one of said ~~first part~~ two parts have ends which diverge from ends of said teeth of another of said ~~second part~~ two parts.

Claim 49 (Currently Amended): The comb as claimed in claim 24, wherein, after assembling, said teeth of one of said ~~first part~~ two parts have ends which converge toward ends of said teeth of another of said ~~second part~~ two parts.

Claim 50 (Currently Amended): The comb as claimed in claim 24, wherein, after assembling, said teeth of one of said ~~first part~~ two parts have ends which cross ends of said teeth of another of said ~~second part~~ two parts.

Claim 51 (Previously Presented): The comb as claimed in claim 30, wherein said two consecutive teeth form between them a V-shaped notch.

Claim 52 (Previously Presented): The comb as claimed in claim 45, wherein said product is a cosmetic product.

Claim 53 (Previously Presented): The comb as claimed in claim 52, wherein said product is for eyelashes or eyebrows.

Claim 54 (Previously Presented): The comb as claimed in claim 45, wherein said container is fitted with a wringing-out member.

Claim 55 (Currently Amended): A comb for applying a cosmetic product,  
comprising:

a first part with a first succession of teeth connected to a first elongated base having an end free of teeth;

a second part with a second succession of teeth connected to a second elongated base having an end free of teeth; and

a wand having a hole with a cross-section,

wherein said first part is coupled to said second part so that said ends free of teeth of said first and second elongated bases form a base portion having said cross section so that said base portion fits into said hole of said wand, and

wherein the first and second parts are joined together pivotably by a film hinge.

Claim 56 (Previously Presented): The comb as claimed in claim 55, wherein said cross-section is triangular.

Claim 57 (Previously Presented): The comb as claimed in claim 55, wherein said first elongated base and said second elongated base are in contact with each other over an entire length over which said first and second succession of teeth extend.

Claim 58 (Currently Amended): A comb for applying a cosmetic product, comprising:

a first part with a first succession of teeth connected to a first elongated base;

a second part with a second succession of teeth connected to a second elongated base;

and

a wand having a housing with a cross-section,

wherein said first part is coupled to said second part so that said first and second elongated bases form a base portion having said cross section so that said base portion fits into said housing of said wand, wherein said base portion extends at least over an entire length over which said first and second succession of teeth extend, and

wherein the two parts are joined together pivotably by a film hinge.

Claim 59 (Previously Presented): The comb as claimed in claim 58, wherein said cross-section is parallelepiped in shape.

Claim 60 (Currently Amended): A comb for applying a cosmetic product, comprising:

a first part with a first succession of teeth connected to a first elongated base;

a second part with a second succession of teeth connected to a second elongated base;

and

a coupling device coupled to said first and second elongated bases so that said first and second elongated bases are in contact with each other at least over an entire length over which said first and second succession of teeth extend,

wherein the first and second parts are joined together pivotably by a film hinge.

Claim 61 (Previously Presented): The comb as claimed in claim 60, wherein said first and second elongated bases each have at least one opening, and said coupling device comprises at least one peg fitted into said openings.

Claim 62 (Previously Presented): The comb as claimed in claim 60, wherein said first and second elongated bases form a portion with a cross-section, and said coupling device comprises a hollow wand which fits over said portion.

Claim 63 (Previously Presented): The comb as claimed in claim 62, wherein said cross-section is cylindrical.



Claim 64 (Previously Presented): The comb as claimed in claim 60, wherein said first and second elongated bases form an arc with a cross-section, and said coupling device comprises a wand which fits inside said arc.

Claim 65 (Previously Presented): The comb as claimed in claim 64, wherein said cross-section is cylindrical.

Claim 66 (Currently Amended): A comb for applying a cosmetic product, comprising:

a first part with a first succession of teeth connected to a first elongated base; and  
a second part with a second succession of teeth connected to a second elongated base,  
wherein said first and second elongated bases are secured on a same wand, and  
wherein the first and second parts are joined together pivotably by a film hinge.

Claim 67 (Currently Amended): A comb for applying a cosmetic product, comprising:

a first part with a first succession of teeth connected to a first elongated base; and  
a second part with a second succession of teeth connected to a second elongated base,  
wherein said first and second elongated bases constitute a dorsal part of the comb, and  
wherein the first and second parts are joined together pivotably by a film hinge.

Claim 68 (Previously Presented): A comb for applying a cosmetic product, comprising:

a first part with a first succession of teeth connected to a first elongated base; and

a second part with a second succession of teeth connected to a second elongated base, wherein said first and second elongated bases are joined together pivotably by a hinge and are secured on a wand.

Claim 69 (Currently Amended): A comb for applying a cosmetic product, comprising:

a first part with a first elongated base, along the length of which is connected a first succession of teeth;

a second part with a second elongated base, along the length of which is connected a second succession of teeth,

wherein said first and second elongated bases are in contact with each other along a plane surface, and

wherein the first and second parts are joined together pivotably by a film hinge.

Claim 70 (New): The comb as claimed in claim 24, further comprising a gripping member connected to a wand, said wand having an end defining a hole, and wherein the assembled at least two parts form an end portion that is free of teeth, said end portion having a cross-section shape corresponding to said hole of said wand such that said end portion fits into said hole and such that said at least two parts are connected to said gripping member.

Claim 71 (New): The comb as claimed in claim 70, wherein said wand, said gripping member and said arrangement of teeth are aligned with each other along a common axis.

Claim 72 (New): The comb as claimed in claim 25, further comprising a grasping element connected to a wand, said wand having an end defining a hole, and wherein the

assembled at least two parts form an end portion that is free of teeth, said end portion having a cross-section shape corresponding to said hole of said wand such that said end portion fits into said hole and such that said at least two parts are connected to said grasping member.

Claim 73 (New): The comb as claimed in claim 72, wherein only a portion of said hinge is located inside said hole of said wand and a rest of said hinge is located outside said wand.

Claim 74 (New): The comb as claimed in claim 72, wherein an entirety of said hinge is located inside said hole of said wand.